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MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

SUBJECT: Intelligence Briefing of Senator Kefauver, 30 September 1956

1. General Cabell and [] briefed Senator Kefauver at his Washington residence (4929 Hillbrook Lane, N. W.) on Sunday, 30 September. It was the first intelligence briefing of the Senator and lasted from its scheduled beginning at 12:00 noon to 1:40 p.m.

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2. The prepared briefing was in two parts: first a somewhat abbreviated presentation of the two briefings previously given to Mr. Stevenson and second the briefing which will be given to Mr. Stevenson on Monday, 1 October, subject to such changes as may be required by new information.

3. Senator Kefauver read all of the prepared briefing, stopping many times to ask questions. As he proceeded into the briefing his questions ranged over all of the topics, retouching matters discussed earlier, anticipating topics still to come and raising problems not dealt with in the prepared briefing, as for example the situation in Viet Nam and the number of Soviet atomic reactors. He showed particular interest in the following: Yugoslav-Satellite-Soviet relations, the Tito-Khrushchev visits, de-Stalinization, Suhrawardy, the Suez Canal Users' Association, prospects for solution of the Suez Canal crisis by the UN, Anglo-French relations with the U.S., Nasr's intentions toward Israel, and the situation in Malaya-Singapore. There were very few topics in the briefing on which he asked no questions at all.

4. Senator Kefauver expressed his appreciation for the briefing and said it was very helpful.

5. The next briefing will take place on Sunday, 7 October, in Washington.

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